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Veterans Essay

From the start of civilization, there has been one ingredient that has bonded nations together: patriotism. Patriotism has caused both good and bad in the world, but it has allowed nations to come together for the greater good. None in a nation, however, show patriotism as great as soldiers. Soldiers believe so passionately in their countries, or exhibit so much patriotism, that they are willing to risk their lives for this cause. Throughout the course of human civilization, patriotism has bonded nations together and inspired soldiers to fight for their countries.

On Veteran's Day, it is a long overdue opportunity for civilians to honor these incredibly brave patriots. This day deserves the upmost respect because of the sacrifice soldiers make to defend the freedoms and safety which all civilians depend upon. It may seem, from this perspective, that a simple "thank you" does not show as much gratitude as we owe these brave patriots. But a thank you may mean much more than it seems. These veterans don't believe they are heroes, they just think they've done what every patriot should. Rather than to be treated like heroes, they would much prefer it if everyone would return the favor. Every citizen should use the freedom and safety earned by these soldiers to exhibit patriotism in their lives. They should work together to advance the progress of their country and play an active role in politics. Through these ways, our veterans can be thanked in a way greater than any parade or convocation, and the cause these men and women gave and risked their lives for will live on.

So, on Veterans' Day don't let your celebration die after just a day. Take a moment to thank our finest patriots, and then vow to take action on your gratitude. Let your patriotism show in everyday life. Even if you don't agree with everything your country stands for, care enough to at least try to change things for the better. From the beginning of human civilization,

patriotism has been the roots of nations. None exhibit this patriotism more fully than our soldiers and veterans, and they deserve our respect and gratitude not just for a day, but forever.